

REMARKS

I. Introduction

Claims 1 to 14 and 16 to 34 are pending in the present application. In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are allowable, and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

II. Allowed Claims 1 to 14 and 16 to 24

Applicants note with appreciation the indication that claims 1 to 14 and 16 to 24 are allowed.

III. Amendment to Claim 34

As an initial matter, the Examiner will note that claim 34 has been amended herein without prejudice to end in a period.

IV. Rejection of Claims 25 to 34 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

As regards the rejection of claims 25 to 34 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, the Examiner will note that claim 25 has been amended herein without prejudice to change "measuring factor" to --correction factor--, which has antecedent basis on line 8. It is therefore respectfully submitted that the present rejection has been obviated, and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

V. Conclusion

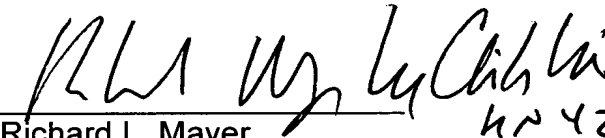
It is therefore respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are allowable. All issues raised by the Examiner having been addressed, an early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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